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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 5845

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SUBJECT: EGYPT ASKS DUTCH FONMIN TO POSTPONE VISIT

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(B) THE HAGUE 5805 (NOTAL)

1. DUTCH RADIO OF DECEMBER 4 REPORTS THAT EGYPTIAN
FONMIN FAHMI HAS ASKED FONMIN VAN DER STOEL TO POSTPONE
HIS PROSPECTIVE VISIT TO CAIRO BECAUSE OF UNHAPPINESS
WITH NETHERLANDS' VOTE ON PALESTINIAN RESOLUTIONS AT
UNGA. ARMED FORCES RADIO ALSO CARRIES REPORT FROM
CAIRO, BUT STATES THAT FAHMI'S DISPLEASURE IS OVER
REACTION IN DUTCH PARLIAMENT TO GON "TILT TOWARD ARABS"
IN ABSTAINING ON PALESTINIAN STATEHOOD RESOLUTION
(REFTELS).

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2. MFA'S MIDDLE EAST DIRECTOR TOLD POLCONUS THAT GON HAS NO INFORMATION OTHER THAN THAT REPORTED IN RADIO BROADCASTS, ADDING THAT NO DATE HAD BEEN SET FOR VAN DER STOEL VISIT. HE SAID UNTIL GON HAS CONFIRMATION OF NEWS REPORTS, GON WILL TRY TO AVOID COMMENTING.

3. A COOLING OF DUTCH-ARAB RELATIONS MAY HAVE BEEN PRESAGED BY HONORARY KUWAITI CONSUL RABBANI, WHO TOLD PUBLIC MEETING NOVEMBER 28 THAT, "THE EMOTIONAL ATTITUDE OF PARLIAMENT MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR DUTCH GOVERNMENT TO PLAY PEACE-LOVING ROLE IN MIDDLE EAST." RABBANI ALSO EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT WITH ATTITUDE OF DUTCH UN DELEGATION DURING DISCUSSIONS LEADING TO VOTE ON PALESTINIAN STATEHOOD RESOLUTION.
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